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Southern Gold Society Calls on Members to Pay 2024 Dues

The Southern Gold Society has enjoyed a strong financial standing for the past 11 years, but recent challenges have highlighted the need for renewed support from its members. After several years of not collecting dues, the Society has seen annual expenses and bank maintenance fees begin to catch up, leading to a deficit in the checking account balance.

Despite being eight months into 2024, the Society is now calling on members to pay their 2024 dues to help make up for this shortfall. Last year, only $30 in dues were collected, and the year before, $125. However, the annual expenses, which include $184 for the website and $50 for memberships in ANA, FUN, and GNA, total $234. With a current membership of 35, the Society can easily cover these costs if each member contributes their annual dues.

To further strengthen our financial position, the Society is switching to a bank that offers a no maintenance fee account for clubs, reducing our future financial burden.

Dues for 2024 are $25, and members are encouraged to submit their payments promptly. **Checks should be made payable to the Southern Gold Society and mailed to:**

David Crenshaw
P.O. Box 237
Dacula, GA 30019

It’s important to note that 2025 dues will also be due in January, so prompt payment of the 2024 dues is crucial to stabilize the Society’s finances. Member contributions are vital to keeping the Society’s operations running smoothly, ensuring the website remains active, and supporting the organization’s overall mission.

Additionally, the Society is exploring the possibility of organizing a gathering at next year's ANA National Money Show, scheduled for February 27-March 1, 2025, and/or at the Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show, April 11-13, 2025. Members interested in volunteering to help organize these events are encouraged to reach out via email at contactus@southerngoldsociety.org.

The Southern Gold Society thanks its members for their continued support and looks forward to a successful year ahead.

Writers Needed

One of the purposes of the SGS is to "enjoy each member's knowledge." This newsletter is one of the ways this numismatic knowledge is dispersed. The frequency of the newsletter is driven by the number of submissions for publication. The editor of the SGS eNewsletter needs new material and welcomes the opportunity to review your original article for publication. Articles should be relevant to the study of the gold coins and related history of the Dahlonega, Charlotte, and New Orleans branch mints and private minters Templeton Reid and the Bechtlers. If you do a presentation at a gathering or other venue, consider compiling your notes into an article. Do not worry about the grammar. The editor will do the rest. Electronic manuscripts should be submitted by email to contactus@southerngoldsociety.org.

Mission Statement

The Southern Gold Society was formed to increase the enjoyment and study of Southern gold coins and related history, through an informal, relaxed mix of education and fellowship. The society is reminiscent of those of a bygone era, in which connoisseurship and a gentlemanly appreciation of Southern gold coins is the order of the day.

Purpose

- To facilitate the enjoyment and study of the gold coins and related history of the Southern branch mints (Dahlonega, Charlotte, and New Orleans)

and private Southern minters (Templeton Reid and the Bechtlers).
- To enjoy each member's knowledge and friendship in an informal manner.
- To provide a relaxed, pleasant environment in which to meet during selected coin shows and other convenient events.
- To encourage the appreciation and preservation of a Southern gold coin's original surfaces.
- To consolidate the information, resources, and talent available to enthusiasts of these historic Southern gold coins.

Annual Membership Fees

Regular $25 (January-December).

Membership for new members joining in October, November, or December extends through the next year. Checks for membership fees should be made payable to the Southern Gold Society and mailed to David Crenshaw, P.O. Box 237, Dacula, GA 30019-0004.

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